Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 27 Jan 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 28 Jan 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 26 Jan 2021 at 16:06 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for remaining cold with a generally fine day Wednesday and for a more settled spell Friday and Saturday, but lower for details of northward extent of snow on Thursday and timing of fronts pushing east on Sunday.

Headline for Wednesday 27 Jan 2021: Becoming mainly dry with some long sunny spells developing. Very cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 27 Jan 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Light snow showers (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	30%	20%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Wednesday 27 Jan 2021

Weather: Cloudy with patchy light snow at first but some clearer spells towards dawn with a few light snow showers possible. A bright morning with just one or two snow showers, but sunny spells developing more widely through the morning. The afternoon looks dry with sunshine becoming almost unbroken then a dry and clear evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 25% improving close to 100% by early afternoon.

Visibility: Periods of cloud above 600m at first gradually lifting and breaking with little or no cloud expected below summits by early afternoon. Away from cloud visibility very good with good panoramic views of surrounding snow covered hills, falling to just a few kilometres in any snow or snow showers. Glare off lying snow is expected, especially in afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	7/9 E	11/13 NE	12/16 N	13/16 NE	12/16 NE	11/14 NE	11/15 E	14/18 E	18/23 SE
900	4/6 E	7/9 NE	8/9 NE	10/13 NE	10/14 NE	9/13 E	10/14 E	13/17 SE	16/21 SE
600	3/4 SE	3/4 NE	4/5 SE	5/7 NE	6/10 NE	6/9 NE	6/9 E	7/11 E	8/12 SE
300	2/4 NE	1/3 NE	2/4 SE	3/7 N	4/9 NE	3/7 NE	4/7 E	4/7 SE	4/8 SE
Glen	2/3 NW	2/5 W	2/6 NW	3/9 NW	3/8 N	3/7 N	3/6 E	2/6 S	3/7 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-5/-9	-6/-12	-6/-12	-6/-12	-7/-13	-8/-14	-8/-15	-9/-16	-9/-18
900	-3/-6	-3/-7	-3/-7	-3/-8	-4/-9	-4/-9	-5/-11	-5/-12	-5/-12
600	-2/-3	-2/-4	-2/-4	-1/-4	-1/-5	-1/-5	-3/-6	-4/-8	-4/-8
300	-0/-2	-1/-2	-1/-2	-1/-2	0/-2	0/-2	-3/-6	-6/-9	-5/-8
Glen	-1/-2	-1/-2	-1/-2	-1/-2	0/-2	1/-1	-4/-6	-5/-9	-4/-7
Freezing Level*	300m	300m	300m	300m	300m	200m	100m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add.

Forecast for Thursday 28 Jan 2021
Weather: Dry with long clear or sunny spells through the morning but becoming cloudier during the afternoon. Towards dusk outbreaks of mainly light snow, especially to the south of the Plateau, are expected develop and persist through into the evening.

Maximum wind: Easterly or southeasterly 15-20mph, with a severe chill effect, easing a little later

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Close to 100% through morning falling to 25% south of the Plateau and 75% to the north during the late afternoon and evening.

Visibility: Little or no cloud below summits through the morning then periods developing above 600m during the late afternoon and evening, especially south of the Platea, cloud more occasional to the north. Away from cloud, very good falling to just a few kilometres in snow later.

Temperature: **Glens:** Around minus 5 or 6 Celsius at dawn rising to Around plus 1 or 2 Celsius by day
At 800m: Around minus 5 Celsius
Freezing level: Below 300m

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